able of the season.

in Alleghony.

will be free to all.

home this evening.

THE wedding of Miss Fannie Fairley and Mr.

Harry Shifer, two prominent young people, will be celebrated on the 18th of February.

MR. C. A. CHIPLEY, of Penn avenue, East

End, will entertain 25 gentlemen friends at his

MR. AND MRS. H. C. DRAVO will entertain

THE Merry Matrimonials, at Mr. John G.

MISS EMMA WEBSTER, of the East End.

A PATENT ON TUNNELS.

The New Method for the Construction

Them Under Rivers.

DETROIT, January 30 .- Messrs. Michael J.

method of constructing tunnels under river beds with only soft soil, which, it is claimed by

them, can be built from 30 to 50 per cent

cheaper than an iron tunnel such as is now go-

ing on under the St. Clair river at Port Huron,

and is at the same time stronger. The material

forming a framework or caisson, and the brick

the arched interior. The caisson for a single-track tunnel will be built in oblong sections,

about 300 feet long and 20x21 feet inside measurement. The sides are to be built of 23 pieces

of 12x12 inch Norway pine timber, including

corners and the top or roof, and the bottom of

20 pieces of the same size, the timbers to be of

various lengths, so as to break joints, and to be

edge-bolted with screw and drift bolts. Square

trusses made of the same sized timber used in

the caisson will be framed into the latter, with

the caisson will be framed into the latter, with
the corners projecting at the top and side, the
arrangement presenting a profile view of an
eight-pointed star, with the tip of the lower
point cut off. The lower corner of the truss is
removed at a point 12 inches below the bottom
of the caisson. These trusses are put in at intervals of every five feet. They are bolted as
securally as iron bolts can make them.

primarily designed to meet the requirements of a tunnel under the river at this point. but it is

predicted that it will prove superior to anything yet devised for all river beds without rock

A CRACKER COMBINATION.

Robert T. Lincoln is a Henvy Stockholder

in the New Concern.

country in order to form a trust.

CHICAGO, January 30 .- A newspaper has a

"Now, there isn't to be any trust whatever,"

in his office in the American Express building,

ther cracker concerns of the country."

Mr. Moore further said that the association

FOR SENATORIAL HONORS.

Thirty-Sixth District.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1

Republican nomination in the Thirty-sixth

Attorney Bisecker—both good men and active in their county politics. Did the nomination simply mean a contest between the rival as-

terned After Our Own.

Against Farm Mortgage Statis

WASHINGTON, January 80 .- in the Senate

o-day the Senate bill instructing the Supering endent of Census to collect information about

mortgages on homes and farms was passed-yeas 47, nays 4, the negative votes being cast by Sanators McPherson, Merrill, Sherman and Stockbridge.

From the Cleveland Leader.)

uply mean a contest between the rival as rants, it would not amount to much, as either

led to establish a cracker factory in Chi-

have just secured a patent for a new

friends to-night with cards and music.

Leishman's, will enjoy this evening.

gave a card party last evening.

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PITTSBURG, FRIDAY, JAN. 31, 1890.

PARTY ABOVE HONESTY. It is painfully apparent that offensive partisanship is rampant just now. Not exactly as Mr. Vilas meaut the convenient phrase to be understood when he coined it in service reform, but in a sense far more disagreeable. Any one who wants to see partisan warfare at its worst can take the choice of two pictures. One shows the Democrats in the Onio Senate expeditiously bouncing Mr. Lampson, the other a Republican majority overriding precedents in order bulldoze the Democratic party in Congress. We do not declare any difference between the pot and the

the facts of the case of Mr. Lampson, who progress now as a result, between the cockney Lieutenant Governor of Ohio, to which he and the Sultan of Turkey. No doubt Ismail majority, will ever be known. The unpleasant conclusion cannot be escaped, however, that whatever the facts, Mr. Marquis still regarded as sovereign remedies for inthe State by his partisan adherents in the that the Princess from the West defied such Senate. With Mr. Lampson and his treatment. Republican friends it is not possible for us to sympathize deeply, for they do not con- the star of empire takes its way." If he ceal their confidence that the Republican were not so old Ismail might still go West majority of the Supreme Court Judges, to and grow up with the country. The expewhom they have appealed from the Senate's | rience of having the West come to him and to their political lights and not upon the to the gentleman who once tried to make

law and the facts. These exhibitions of partisan dishonesty are disgraceful. They are dangerous to the Republic. The only remedy lies with the question, the bugbear of European statespeople. Politicians who place party above honor and honesty ought to be sent to the rear. The people can send them there.

A GREAT OPTION MISSED.

There is something almost appalling in the thought that but for a beggarly act of Assembly or two this State might have had in 1892 the option of buying the Pennsylvania Railroad at a fair price. But as our readers may discover for themselves in an-other column, such an option would have issue yesterday without mention of the speaker. other column, such an option would have been at the command of the people of this The omission was perhaps not particularly im-State if the "Act for the commutation of tonnage duties" had not been passed in the

The story which lies behind this statement cannot be easily ridded of a mass of the club was so complete, happy and excellent legal technicalities in which railroad legis.

In stself that nothing could with advantage be added to or taken from it. lation especially abounds. The prominent facts are these: When the Penn sylvania Railroad bought the public works from the State in 1846, it railroad at the end of twenty years, and if days. the State were unwilling to buy then, to renew the option at the end of every twenty years for all time. Of course the conditions of this option would have made the purchase of the railroad at any time by the

State a tremendously expensive operation. But in 1861 the State agreed to cancel its right of purchase if a certain sum were paid annually by the railroad into the State Treasury. This sum has always been paid duly, and the last payment will be made in July of this year. If it be not paid, it is, we think, slightly doubtful that the Legislature would agree to send the State into Harrison's house in Indianapolis. Did they do bankruptcy in order to take up the Penn-

sylvania's generous offer. Our friends the Socialists, however, can picture to themselves the immense benefits that would accrue to Pennsylvanians if they all had annual passess on the best railroad in the world. This slice of history also that has our approval. shows us how little our forefathers dreamed of the immense proportions that the railroads were destined to assume. And, it must in justice be added, it shows how try to cross the continent, greatly the Pennsylvania Railroad has prospered under good management through half a century. Altogether, though we are denied the pleasure of buying the big railroad, the facts in the case are well worth lence is golden. knowing.

A CURIOUS FAILURE.

If the disappearance of a couple of million dollars were not a serious matter, the condition of the Spaulding Iron Company's affairs, as revealed by the assignment of the firm yesterday, would be humorous. The description of the processes by which the Spaulding company established in Brilliant, near Steubenville, eight years ago, has come at last into a receiver's hands has are more good than bad people. been furnished by an aggrieved minority of the company's stockholders, and must therefore be taken with some reserve. It is early history of that State. alleged that there is some reason to believe that the company has failed simply because the men at its head had not a very clear conception of the ins and outs of the iron trade.

It is most interesting to Pittsburg to know that the failure is unlikely to involve any other interests. It is a local misfortune. the blame for which cannot be placed until an investigation of the firm's accounts-if any exist-has been made. Iron men here will be curious to learn how it ever appeared to the Messrs. Spaulding possible to get a profit out Poet," acknowledges that the proudest moment of buying pig iron in Pittsburg, transforming it into muck iron in Brilliant, O., and selling it again in Pittsburg. The latest news concerning the failure clearly indicates that there is much to be told about the company's affairs that has not yet come to light. There are some peculiar circumstances about the case that render it possible that the Spaulding Company is a solvent in-

STILL CHAOS IN WASHINGTON.

The latest news from Washington indicates that the worst of the uproar in the House of Representatives is over. The Republicans are very confident that the discussion of the contested election cases will proceed to-day, the Democratic Congressmen abandoning their opposition to Speaker attractive a newspaper. The Sunday edition of Reed for the time at least. This is the complexion of affairs as it appears to THE DIS-PATCH'S correspondent in Washington. At this distance the turbulent character of yesterday's debate, and the determined atti tertaining fiction.

tude of Messrs. Breekinridge, Crisp, Bland and Springer in their opposition to the Republican tactics, do not appear to justify such rosy hopes of peace and a return to business in the House. We trust that the Democrats will seek peace and ensue it.

As THE DISPATCH has already stated, neither party in Congress is in the right, The Republicans have smashed precedents to smithereens in their effort to postpone the adopt of rules to govern the House until legislation of an unmistakeably partisan character has been debated. The Democrats are sinning against common sense in refusing to accept Speaker Reed's decision .. \$ 800 as to the constitution of a quorum. It excuse of the filibustering Democrats is, of THE DAILY DISPATCH is delivered by carriers at course, that they are fighting a tyrannical majority, and that any weapon is legitimate in such a cause. But their position is contrary to the best theory and practice of popular government.

The wish of the people is that Congress should get to work as speedily as possible. The responsibility of delaying this desirable event will be heavy. Neither party can afford to incur it. Besides, the country the interest of his peculiar scheme of civil has a sense of fair play to which the Democrats, in case of serious interference with their rights as a minority, can appeal with contidence.

THE WEST WENT EAST.

The corpulent and improper person known as Ismail, ex-Khedive of Egypt, is having some novel experiences with his harem. He was foolish enough some time ago to import our preference; every citizen must take his into his seraglio a young woman whose choice. We do not even care to go to the acquaintance he had made in London. She facetious length of declaring that if there is received the title of Princess, and ruled Ismail and all his possessions with a firm kettle, one is a little blacker than the other. hand until a few days ago, when Ismail It seems unlikely that the exact status of rebelled. There is a pretty squabble in was yesterday deposed from the office of princess, Ismail, the English Embassador was declared elected at first by a narrow wishes that he had remained true to his Circassians and other Eastern houris. The bowstring, the sack and the Bosphorus are would have been given the second office of subordination in the harem, but it is clear

Again it has been shown that "Westward decision, will decide the question according grow up over him is evidently not pleasing Alexandria a close copy of Paris. The wichedness and foolishness of the ex-Khedive are of the texture of the whole Eastern men. One of the wonders of the nineteenth century will always be this spectacle of civilization bolstering up a rotten and pagan empire in order to delay the inevitable scramble for the fragments.

> By one of those inadvertences which sometimes happen in hastily arranging a long midnight report, the remarks of Mr. E. M. O'Neill, of THE DISPATCH, at the Press Club banquet Wednesday night on the progress of portant, and would not require to be rectified. but that the address as printed read like an unexplained annex to Mr. Watterson's speech. and we clearly wish to be understood that the speech of the distinguished Kentucky guest of

SPEAKER REED now knows what the baseball umpire has to put up with for a whole summer without a murmur. Mr. Reed is getagreed to give the State the right to buy the ting tots of praise for being patient for three

> PORTUGAL does not hate England enough to stop hating her old enemy Spain.

> THE closing of the Sixth National Bank in New York is not due to any financial disaster, The suspicious proceedings of the purchasers of the bank led the Bank Commissioner to close its doors. There is nothing in the matter to affect New York's financial affairs, beyond the three banks involved in a doubtful transaction. It demands a searching investigation and that is now on the way.

> BURGLARS have been robbing President the work in blocks of five, we wonder? They say some Indiana robbers like that plan

THE political part of the storm now enfolding devoted Superintendent Malone does not interest us. The erection of the Postoffice is our concern. Anything that tends to hasten

THE Central Pacific Railroad is gluttonous. It is absorbing all the snow storms that

IT has a very curious sound this cry that Stanley is silent. It is not the custom of travelers to be dumb about their exploits. Perhans the secture agents have taught Stanley that s

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

JAMES GORDON BENNETT'S hair is almost EVARTS, Depew and Ingersoll are said to take

scarcely any exercise at all. IDA SWEET, who was once pension agent in Chleago, has established an ambulance system

EDWARD EVERETT HALE declares that we are becoming better and better, and that there

GENERAL BUTLER has presented to the New Hampshire Historical Society a valuable collection of books and paintings relating to the LIEUTENANT JAMES D. GAY, who was the first man to carry a mail north from Washing-ton at the outbreak of the Rebellion, has

petitioned Congress for a pension. IT is said in Washington that Walker Blaine' most striking characteristic was his unfailing good nature. Nobody ever knew him to lose his temper or to say a cross word.

MR. HENRY GLADSTONE, son of the Right Hop. W. E. Gladstone, was married yesterday to the daughter of Mr. Stuart Rendel. Home Huler, member of the House of Commons for Montgomeryshire.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY, the "Hoosier of his life was when he finally gratified what had been his greatest ambition, the purchase of an overcoat with fur around the tail of it.

A MODEL IN EVERY SENSE. The Paper That is Sought After for the Most Trustworthy Information.

From the Parkersburg Sentinel.]

When we want to read the news of the world and look for that which is most reliable and trustworthy, we invariably turn to THE PITTS-BURG DISPATCH, a model newspaper in every sense. As a news gatherer it is unsurpassed by any other journal, either in or out of the great cities, and in the quantity and quality of news it is thoroughly metropolitan. A surpris-ing nose for news, care for the truth and presentation in a readable form of the world's daily happenings are prominent characteristics of The Disparch, that make it so great and exceeding 50,000 and is one of the country. It is a veritable magazine of pleasant literature, of 20 large pages, made up of the news of the day, nce from home and abroad and enсоттевр

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

Few, Principally Impertinent, Remarks About Bunquets, and the Men Who Eat

Them. IT is one of the precious privileges of those who sit at meat and do not have to deliver speeches later on to observe the countenances of those whose fate it is to eat and then At a recent banquet the sight of some of those faces reminded me of the Roman gladiators who were wont to chant as they bowed before "We who are about to die, salute Cæsar:

Doubtless the gladiator really enjoyed the opinquity of death; in his heart of hearts the thought of a short sword's entry between his ribs, or of the trident pluning his gaping throat to the thirsty sand was agreeable, but we are told that even the veteran soldiers always looked selemn enough as they began the "Morituri te Salutamus." The man who has a speech in his mind, while his mouth is full of lobster disguised in mayonnaise and a French name, I am willing to believe is happy enough, but some stern sense of propriety or something else bids him appear abnormally unconcerned. A wicked cynic insisted as he gazed at the orators-to-be that they were chewing epigrams, sipping philosophy and snuffing the flowers of rhetoric, while they plied the knife and fork and inhaled the scent of real roses.

It is my personal experience that a man never thoroughly appreciates the justifiability of suicide till he is called upon for a speech. Of course this is not every man's nature.

TALKING of banquets, every man has his ideal of what constitutes a banquet.
Yesterday I chanced to be dilating, with some feeling of pride, I contess, upon the Coquelles de Hommard a la Turque, the Poulets de grain saute Marengo and others of the triumphant dishes which graced the Press Club banquet, to a gentleman who lives on his own beautiful farm some 20 miles from town. After I had rattled off a dozen examples of concrete indigestibility and indifferent French, I was mortified by my friend's query: "Do you call that a banquet?"

I affirmed that I did. "Well, I don't," said the sturdy farmer, "but I sat down to a banquer myself, last night, that was something like the genuine article. We had for supper the backbone of a pig, boiled with two chickens—and boiled potatoes and turnips. The tenderness of the pork near the one brought tears to my eyes!" At least the farmer was not suffering from

dyspepsia yesterday. THERE was a clergyman of my acquaintance once who was in great request as an after dinner speaker. Almost every week he re-sponded to the toast, "The Church," or "The

Clergy." I can testify that his speeches were very good—and they never contained an allu-sion to his cloth. That may have been the reason he was in request. his to keep clear of the toast to which he spoke got him into trouble. It was at a dinner given by the alumni of his college, and instead of his usual cierical toast "The Ladies" were consigned to his charge. He was an impromptu speaker if over there was one, and when his turn came he made a brilliant little speech that amused everybody, but not an allusion did it contain to the ladies. His neighbor on the right, as the peroration was evidently approaching, jokingly whispered: "Remember the toast, old man," whereupon the gifted di-vine went on: "The gentleman on my right reinds me that I have wandered from my text. I have not forgotten it. But what can I tell you of them that you do not know already? They are near you soon after you are born; they attend your wedding, and they cheerfully see you buried!"

Everybody laughed, but the speaker did not

when he reached home and looking over the nenu card saw "The Ladies" opposite his name. He had spoken to his usual toast, "The A MESSENGER BOY OUT OF A JOB.

He Caused a Social Tumult by Throwing Away a Lot of Invitations. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.; BOSTON, January 30 .- Ever since Commodore Weld's swell reception in his \$100,000 barn, in Brookline last week, there has been a certain amount of coolness in the social atmosphere of the Back Ray, because certain leading families were not invited. Of course, the non-ap pearance of the dainty invitations was looked apon as a snub, and Mrs. Weld has suffered in onsequence. But it was not Mrs. Weld's The blame lies with one of the youthful, and always alert and ambitious telegraph

nessenger boys.

A few days before the reception a lady friend of Mrs. Weld, who knew that the latter had enof Mrs. Weld, who knew that the latter had engaged a massenger boy that morning to deliver a large number of the invitations on the Back Bay, happened to see a large number of what appeared to be letters in the Charles river. The lady was driving through Beacon street at the time. After the reception she heard that some had not received their invitations, and inquiry, developed the fact that the messenger boy, becoming tired and cold, threw the letters into the Charles river, not realizing how much mental suffering would rerealizing how much mental suffering would re sult from his action. The messenger boy is now seeking another job.

ALMOST TOO BIG TO BURY.

Peculiar Scenes at the Funeral of a Citizen of Chicago's Suburbs.

CHICAGO, January 30,-The funeral of Peter Damm, one of the old settlers and perhaps the best known man in the Town of Lake, was, in many respects, a peculiar one. Mr. Damm was a man of immense proportions. weighing 380 pounds at the time of The body was so large that none of the ready-made coffins would contain it, and the undertaker made a burial casket to order. It was nearly three feet wide, the actual measurements being 2 feet 8 inches wide by 26 inches deep. The coffin barely went into the hearse. there being but an inch to spare. It took 10 sturdy Germans, selected particularly for their strength, to get the coffin and its bulky burden down the narrow stairs of the late residence.

The distance from the house to the church was but two blocks, and the pall-bearers decided that they could best carry the body. Accordingly, they had secured five stout wooden bars, upon which they carried the coffin, five men being upon each side. The pall bearers men being upon each side. The pall bearers had about all they could do in keeping upright on the narrow sidewalk leading to the sacred edifice, so heavy was the body.

AS IT LOOKS IN GERMANY.

Criticism on the Samoan Treaty Taken for

Political Utterances. WASHINGTON, January 30 .- A cable received here says the Frankfurter Zeitung, commenting on the recent adverse criticism of the an treaty in American papers, asks what more the United States could desire. It says t has sought in vain in American papers for the grounds of their queer utterances against the treaty; thinks their motive must be cheap of the administration, and says bases this conclusion on the fact that the American criticism is only from papers which are hostile to the President and to the Secre-

Presidental Appointments. WASHINGTON, January 30 .- The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nomi-nations: William H. Taft, of Ohio, to be Solicitor General; Robert Adams, Jr., of Pennsylvania, now accredited Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipstentiary to the Empire of Brazil, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minis-ter Plenipstentiary to the United States of Brazil, Postmasters—Pennsylvania: Robert J. Patterson, Uniontown; Charles S. W. Jones, Tyrone; John S. Weaver, Mechanicsburg.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Karl Merse. PRPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH, 1 WOOSTER, O., January 30,-Karl Merse, Professor of Music in the Wooster University, and who has a national reputation as a composer, died this afternoon of pneumonia, superinduced by la grippe, which attacked him about a week ago, leccased was born at Benaheim, Germany, in 1884. He came to this country in 1884. For il years he was teacher of music in the Oxford, O., female college. He has been here for the past

James Rafferty. James Rafferty, one of the oldest river pilots running between this city and New Orleans, died yesterday morning at his residence, on Center avenue. He had been troubled for a long time with heart trouble, which finally ended in his death. He was 54 years of ace, and had been run-ning on the river for over 45 years.

John Brennnn.

John Brennan, a well-known resident of the Fourteenth ward, died yesterday afternoon. He

GRAND ORGAN RECITAL.

The First One Given in the Masonic Temple for the Scottleh Rite Members-A Fine

Musical Programme. The grand organ recital in the Freemason's Hall last evening called forth one of the most brilliant and fashionable assemblages of the season. The entertainment was the first of a series that will be given in the preceptory hall of the new building, and invitations were issued to only the Scottish Rite members and their ladies for last evening. Those who availed hemselves of the invitations, accompanied by their wives, sister or sweethearts, as the car might be, sufficed to tax the hall, which will

seat 1,000, to its utmost capacity.

In varied and beautiful tollets the ladies appeared, escorted by handsome gentlemen in evening attire, and in perfect accord was the richly carpeted, handsomely equipped hall, with its distinguished occupants. The prowith its distinguished occupants. The programme was opened by the pealing forth of the deep-toned organ, which is one of the mest in the city, in a chorus from Engedi, Beethoven. Following which was the address of welcome, by Illustrious Brother James Kerr, Jr., thirty-third degree, T. P. G. M. The address was full of wit and humor, and embodied the sentiments of welcome most gracefully. The remainder of the programme, which was equally enjoyable, was as follows: organ, a. Andante, Wely: b. "Swedish Wedding March," Soderman-Gleason; song, "Only to Love," Illustrious Brother Daniel M. Ballock, thirty-second degree; organ, Toccata, Dubois; address, Illustrious Brother George B. Orlady, thirty-second degree, "Ancient Egyptian Mysteries;" organ, a. Romance, Hime; b. Gavotte, "Mignon." Thomas-Eddy; song, "Warrior's Son." Ryder, Illustrious Brother S. Amberson, thirty-second degree; organ, overture, son, thirty-second degree; organ, overture, "Zampa," Herold; invitation to inspect building, by Illustrious Brother William B. Lupton, thirty-second degree, chairman Hall Com-

thirty-second degree, chairman Hall Committee.

The programmes were very artistic and handsome, in leaflet form tied with dainty ribbon at
the top and the outside leaves were richly
finished and delicately tinted. At the conclusion of the entertainment considerable time
was spent in wandering through the various
rooms belonging to the order as the assemblage
descended from the upper floor to those below.
The Committee of arrangements was composed
of James Kerr, Jr., thirty-third degree; Willtam T. English, thirty-second; John Pritchard,
thirty-second; John E. Haines, thirty-second;
George P. Balmain, thirty-third; Arthur B.
Wigley, thirty-second, and Charles R. Dallas,
thirty-second, Masters of ceremony—Harry W.
Dunlap, thirty-second; William St. C. D. Corcoran, thirty-second; Milliam St. C. D. Corcoran, thirty-second; John D. Kramer, thirty-second;
Charles S. Holmes, thirty-second; Henry L.
Thomson, thirty-second. Thomson, thirty-second.

THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Brashear Congratulated by

Their Friends and Children. The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Brown Brashear was celebrated last evening at the residence of their son, Mr. John A. Brashear, the eminent scientist and astronomer. The beautiful home on Observatory Hill witnessed the gathering together of all the children of the aged couple, six in number, 13 grandchildren and several great grandchildren, besides a number of old-time friends. Mrs. Brashear, Sr., was Miss Julia Smith, the daughter of Mr. Nathaniel H. Smith, who built the first Morse telegraph and the first electrical engine in Western Pennsylvania. She was married to Mr. Brashear in the year labo, in Brownsville, by the Rev. Mr. Freeman an Episcopal clergyman. Although 70 years of age, she has the appearance of a much younger woman, thus proving that her choice of a husband and protector was a wise one. Mr. Brashear is in his 72d year and enjoys unusual good health. Besides being a skilled mechanic be is noted for his musical abilities and knowledge. Many and beautiful were the testimonials of esteem that were presented Mr. and Mrs. Brashear last evening, and among them was to be found Brown Brashear was celebrated last even-But on one occasion this very disposition of tory Hill witnessed the gathering together of age, she has the appearance of a much younger woman, thus proving that her choice of a husband and protector was a wise one. Mr. Brashear is in his 72d year and enjoys unusual good health. Besides being a skilled mechanic he is noted for his musical abilities and knowledge. Many and beautiful were the testimonials of esteem that were presented Mr. and Mrs. Brashear last evening, and among them was to be found a magnificent bouquet from Superintendent Hamilton, which was greatly appreciated by Mrs. Brashear, who is an ardent lover of flowers. Orchestral music. a banquet served by ers. Orchestral music, a banquet served by Kennedy, with congratulations, made the even-ing one never to be forgotten.

THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

Miss Marie Marray Carries Off the Gold Medal for Ollwork.

The annual examination of the Pittsburg chool of Design was held yesterday morning. The medals were awarded in oil painting, the gold medal to Miss Marie Murray, silver medal to Miss Bessie Young. Misses Jennie McMasters, Mary T. Patterson and Euginie Maple received honorable mention.

Miss Laura D. Dummett was awarded the bronze medal for full length figure in crayon drawing. A bronze medal was awarded Miss Laura John for ornamental drawing. Mr. Joseph E. Woodwell in the life class received the gold medal. The gold and class received the gold media. The gold and silver medals in water color were awarded to Miss Mary T. Patterson. The graduates this year are Misses Ruth P. Miller, Agnes Lawton, Jennie McMasters and Mary Hurford. The art rooms in the Penn building will be thrown open to the public next Monday evening and the inspection of the pictures that were hung before the examination will afford an evening of rare pleasure to anyone interested in art. of rare pleasure to anyone interested in art.

WOMAN'S WORK.

The Christian Association Held Its Annual Meeting Yesterday.

At the annual meeting of the Woman's hristian Association held in the chapel of the Y. M. C. A. building, yesterday morning, there was a large gathering of the representative, charitable and benevolent ladies of the two cities present, Mrs. F. R. Brunot as president occupied the chair, and Miss Martha A. Stering as secretary aided her. An address was delivered on the subject of

"Charity," by Rev. George Hodges, rector of Calvary Episcopal Church. Following the adiress reports of all the branches of the mother association were read by the respective secretaries in substance as printed in THE DISPATCH of yesterday, Miss Sterling then read PATCH of yesterday. Miss Sterling then read a brief summary of all the reports, and the election of officers resulted in the re-election of the old heard. They are: President, Mrs. F. R. Brunot; Vice President, Mrs. Ormsby Philips; Secretary, Miss M. A. Sterling; Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel McKee.

A NICE PROGRAMME.

The East Liberty Y. M. C. A. Entertainment Was Successful.

Under the auspices of the East Liberty branch of the Y. M. C. A. an entertainment was given in the East Liberty Presbyterian Church last evening. The programme was exceptionally well rendered and enjoyed by a large and intellectual audience. It included a selection "The Brigands," by the Schmertz Orchestra; a quartet, "Sleep While the Soft Evening Breezes," by Miss Jennie Gray, Miss Jennie Abbott, Mr. Cliff McCausland and Mr. George F. Wagner; "The McCausland and Mr. George F. Warner, "The Mill in the Forest," by Schmertz Quartet; "The Scout," by the Haydn Quartet; a vocal solo, "Murmuring Zephyra," by Miss Jennie Gray; "Beautiful Maidee Polka," by Schmertz Quartet; "Waitz Song," Haydn Quartet; duet, Miss Jennie Abbott, Mr. C. H. Seidle: "The Flowers Sleep," by Haydn Quartet and Misses Gray and Abbott, and the "Guardmount," by Schwertz Quartet.

A PREACHER AS BENEDICT.

rtz Quarter.

Miss Agnes Stevenson Becomes the Bride of the Rev. Mr. Ewing.

At the residence of Mr. John Milligan, Swiss vale, yesterday morning, the ceremony was performed which united in the holy bonds of natrimony Miss Agnes J. Stevenson and Rev. R. B. Ewing, pastor of the Sixth U. P. Church, East End. The ceremony was witnessed by a very small gathering of friends of the bride and groom, and was performed by Revs. William J. Reid, D. D., pastor of the First U. P. Church, and S. J. Fisher, of the Swissvale Presbyterian

The bride is a talented, highly educated lady who has occupied a position as teacher in the Norfolk, Va., Seminary for some time past. The groom is one of the most eloquent speakers of his denomination, and has had charge of his present church for 20 years.

A QUIET WEDDING.

Miss Ella Harper Was Married to Stanley Neely. On account of the recent death of Major Samuel Harper the wedding which united his daughter, Miss Ella Harper, to Mr. Stanley Neely was a very private one. It was solemnized last evening at the Harper residence on Mt. Washington, and Rev. R. J. Caster was the officiating clergyman.

ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Orion Council, Royal Arcanum, Helds Celebration.

The celebration of the eleventh anniversar of Orion Council No. 244, Royal Arcanum, took place last evening in Odd Fellows' Hall, Southside. Toerge Bros.' Orchestra was in attendance, Mr. Carl Retter officiated as pianist, and THE STROLLER'S STORIES.

Madam Mathiida Henkler, Miss Virginia Henrichs, Mr. Harry B. Brockett, Jr., Mr. E. H. Dermitt, Mr. August Mueller and the Bethoven Quartet rendered, individually and collectively, some very fine selections. The event was socially and artistically one of the most enjoy-Odd Opinions and Quaint Observations Gathered From Curb and Corridor. O C. McKinner, the well-known Titusville oil magnate, was at the Anderson yesterday. He is on his way back from Ohio, where, as a director of the Geyser Oil Company, he has A THEATER party to-night will be given by Miss Maud F. Byers in honor of Miss Kennedy, been assisting in the development of the oil tract lately purchased by that corporation. of Philadelphia. The performance at the Opera House will be enjoyed, and at the con-There are at least 36 wells on the Geyser's property. Mr. McKinney claims that there is no successful method of deodorizing and refining Lima oil, and he does not think that any clusion an elegant supper will be served for the company by Caterer Riley at the Byers mansion method will be discovered. At Titusville there On next Tuesday evening the newsboys will s a very strong Democratic colony, and Mr. have a grand musical treat at the Newsboys' Home. The C. V. Lewis Quartet and Tommy McKinney is one of the lights thereof. He is a strenuous supporter of Mr. Wallace in the Gubernatorial contest, and believes that the Lory with his banjo will furnish the music, and -Senator will come out uppermost

MAURICE E. LOCKE, a typical son of the Lone Star State, is staying at the Ander-son. Mr. Locke halls from Dallas, where he is President of the Central National Bank, and a ominent man of business, at the early age of 5. The object of his trip northward is, as he himself expressed it, "to find out a good field for Texan investment and to organize the Dallas Financial Security Company, of which he is also the President. Mr. Locke is becomingly patriotic and declares that Texas is the most "go ahead" State in the Union. His own city of Dallas has quintupled its population in ten years, while Austin and Fort Worth have prospered equally. More national banks were organized in Texas last year than in any other State. On the recently revived proposition to divide Texas into separate States, Mr. Locke spoke very emphatically. "No Texan ever favored the idea," he said. "It originated in other States. The division would, of course, Griffin, an experienced railroad contractor, and George A. Dupuis, an extensive dredging conincrease the Democratic representation, but ! assure you that even our Texas Democrats dis approye of such a sacrifice of national to party interests." Mr. Locke is much impressed with Pittsburg's commercial prosperity. This is the first city he has visited in his tour which exwill be brick and 12-inch timber, the timber tends to Boston, Baltimore, New York and several other Eastern cities.

GROTESQUE scene occurred at the Pres A Club banquet, when certain pyrotechnic bon-bons, containing all sorts and conditions of headgear, were distributed among the guests. 'Bang" went the "surprises," and in a few moments everybody, or nearly everybody, was arrayed in some kind of hat, cap or bonnet. Grave editors beamed beneath conical foolscaps; sage politicians crowned those white locks upon which civic wreaths had rested with the piquant coif of the Normandy fishwife, while field marshal's laced caps, toreador's aucy hats, and even Celtic "caubeens" graced the brows of old and young. It was a reminiscence of the carnival, and almost tempted one o snatch the flowers from their epergues and elt the revelers with fragrant rose

T is curious, but true, that since the big fire alarm ceased to startle Pittsburg, not a single fire engine has passed the City Hall, in rat-tling down Smithfield street. Before the stoppage of the alarm scarcely a day passed without a visitation of the engines to that portion of the city.

THE two gentlemen referred to in these col umns Wednesday morning, as operating a magazine scheme in this city, issuing as a preminm to subscribers a trading bond with cou pons, were yesterday called to appear before the full police board, consisting of the Assistant Superintendent, Inspectors and Captains. After the gentlemen had stated their case to the board, inspector McAleese made a speech. It was very short, but it was forcible. He said substantially: "Your magazine may be all right, your inducements genuine and your business legal, but you cannot carry it on in this city."

the earth from both sides and the bottom. The sections, being accurately adjusted in the bed, are caulked with the best packing rubber, and the interstices filled in with Portland cement, forced through iron pipes. Rip-rap is next filled in around it for further protection. This makes a perfectly water-tight joint. The brick lining of the tunnel is then built in. This tunnel is the production of the tunnel is then built in. Moses King, an active business man from Boston, is at the Hotel Auderson this week, He is the President of a company organized to prepare a handbook of the United States and series of handbooks of all the large cities Saveral of the volumes are already out. The work is being done on a large scale, with more attention to accuracy, thoroughness, literary finish and popular interest than has ever been given to a similar undertaking in this country. The volumes already out are exceedingly inter esting, and may be regarded as an addition to temporary, and even to permanent, American literature. The STROLLER. report from New York to-day that a number of New York and Illingis moneyed men had bought up a lot of cracker factories in the

REFUSES TO BE CONQUERED.

said Mr. Moore this morning. Mr. Moore, who Brave Naval Cadet Who Failed to Pas s president of the alleged combine, was sitting

His Examination. in his office in the American Express building, and the charge that the combination had been formed as a Trust seemed to annoy him not a little, although he took the whole matter good naturedly. After repeatedly denying that a trust had been formed, Mr. Moore explained the object of the association.

"You see," said the new President of the Cracker Association "we have handed together. WASHINGTON, January 30,-Richard H. Jackson, of Alabama, is making an effort for reappointment in the navy. He was a naval cadet until last June, when he failed to pass the final examination sufficiently high to secure a commission as a minor officer. A bilt "You see," said the new President of the Cracker Association, "we have banded together into one company in order that we may cheapen production and sell our goods at lower prices, making a fair profit, while benefiting the public. We certainly don't intend to attempt to raise prices, because that would be impossible. We have only got a half dozen or so of the largest firms into the association, and are still subject to the keenest competition from all the other cracker concerns of the country." will be presented to Congress placing him last on the list of eneigns of the navy. Jackson served his last two years as a cadet prior to the final examination on the Trenton, and was on that vessel in March of last year during th hurricane at Samoa. When Lieutenant R. M. G. Brown gave the order to the men of the Trenton, which signalized him as an admirable executive in a time of emergency, and which, according to the reports of the commanding officer, cleared the Trenton of a reef and saved the lives it was Cadet Lackson who led the art. Moore further as the last the last intended to establish a cracker factory in Chicago which would probably be one of the largest in the country. Plans, however, have not been fully matured, and Mr. Moore couldn't say when the plant would be erected. The companies in the combination are E. J. Larfabee & Co., of Albany; Van Dener & Holmes, of New York; Brinkenhoff & Co., John D. Glimor & Co., Auger Bros., Hatfield & Ducker and Daniel Calty & Co., of Brooklyn, and W. H. Thus, of Newark, N. J. No Chicago companies have been bought up. Robert T. Lincoln, Minister to England, is a heavy stockholder in the combination. 450 lives, it was Cadet Jackson who led the

450 lives, it was Cadet Jackson who led the men into the rigging.

The men had besitated, uncertain of the novel order given by Lieutenant Brown, and seemed only to need the stimulus of a leader, which circumstances and a ready appreciation of Brown's tactics had made Cadet Jackson act. Lieutenant Brown, who is on duty at the Navy Department, said to-day that Jackson was a description young man and a paye officer. was a deserving young man and a brave officer. He commends his ability and energy.

TRYING TO MAKE AMENDS.

A Railroad Company Voluntarily Pays an Orphan Girl \$7,500. Any Number of Candidates in the Field in the CHICAGO, January 30.—The Chicago Northwestern Railroad Company has paid William De Lorenzo, the uncle and guardian of little Dora Payne, \$7,500 for the loss of her BEDFORD, January 30 .- The contest for the

mother and stepfather in the Rose Hill railroad "Isn't that an unusually large amount of

senatorial district-composed of the counties of Somerset, Bedford and Fulton-is becoming interesting, each county claiming the position. damages to be voluntarily paid by a railroad? Bedford and Somerset counties compose the was asked of Claim Agent Richards. "Yes, it is," replied Mr. Richards, "and it Sixteenth judicial district, and Bedford, Somerset, Cambria and Blair the Seventeenth Conrould take a good deal of memory searching to liscover a case wherein we paid a like amount gressional district. Thus political complicadiscover a case wherein we paid a like amount. You see, the law limits the damages for a life lost to \$5,000, and it isn't often that a jury will give the foil amount, but in the Pavne case there was a good deal of sentiment. The company viewed the case in the same way as did the public. Here was a little girl suddenly deprived of her father and mother and left almost alone in the world, and the Northwestern read thought that the most humans thing to tions have arisen on the solution of which depends the Senatorial nomination, Senator Alexander, of Fulton claims a second termfirst, because it has always been the custom except in the isolated case of Hon, J. H. Longenecker, who declined it; second, because his record justifies it; third, because during the past oad thought that the most humane thing t 80 years Fulton county has had the Senator but was to save the little one and her friends the once, while Somerset has enjoyed that honor for 17 years and Hedford for 11 years; fourth, because he wants it. Bedford county will pre-sent for the nomination three of its distins of a suit at law and give her a handsome This was accordingly done, and if the money is not squandered she will not have to worry about getting a living the rest of her guished citizens—ex Representatives Dr. C. P. Calhoun, Captain N. C. Evans, and untitled, plain, honest, hard-working and genial E. C. Aschom. This trio will make a lively cam-

A CONGRESSMAN SPECULATING. paign.
Somerset has two candidates—the massive
Representative James L. Pugh and ex-District He is Basing His Plans Upon Chicago as World's Fair Site.

CHICAGO, January 30.-Congressman J. M.

Wiley, of New York, who registers from East

Aurora, in the Western part of the State, and

who is in the Congressional Directory as a one of the gentlemen named would represent the district in a creditable manner, resident of Colden, the same arrived at the Leland Hotel here Wednesday, To-day he was joined at the hotel by Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, and TO IMITATE PITTSBURG.

both were engaged the greater part of the day with L. L. Smith, who lives at the Richelleu, and who is said to be a shrewd operator in various lines of business.

Congressman Wiley is said to have come West with the certain knowledge that Chicago is to have the World's Fair, and the determination to take time by the forelook in Cleveland is Desirous of an Exposition Pat-The Exposition in Pittsburg last summer leared \$58,000, which sum was a very small is to have the vortex rair, and the determination to take time by the forelock in making some immediate investments. During the day he was absent from his hotel on business that is said to be in relation to these investments. In the evening he also went away with friends and couldn't be seen. Efforts were unsuccessful to-night to confirm a discovery the report further than that it was fraction of the amount made by the business men from the trade of the hundreds of thousands of visitors attracted to that place. With out doubt, equally satisfactory results would follow the establishment of an exposition in or disprove the report, further than that it was the current talk at both the Leland and the

follow the establishment of an exposition in this city, provided it is centrally located. This year the l'ittaburg people expect to greatly increase their profits, and they would naturally increase in Cleveland from year to year.

In a few years all the expenses incorred in building would be paid, and then the surplus of receipts over expenses would, in all probability, go to the city, and be used to defray the expenses of a manual training school. This is a feature of the subject to be considered by the Council committee which is considering the How to Get Chickamanga Maps. WASHINGTON, January 80 .- Coionel Kellogg is overwhelmed with applications from all parts of the country for copies of the new of-ficial maps of Chickamauga. He has a very small edition at his control. Veterans wishing these maps should address their Scuators or the Council committee which is considering the question of location. If the city gives the grounds it will be entitled to the net receipts after the enterprise is put upon a paying basis. tatives.

> Geta a Free Trip to Europe. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. FALL RIVER, MASS., January 80 .- John W. Crowley, a musician on the Fall River Line steamer Providence, guessed within a few seconds of Neille By's time around the world, and has been potified that he is entitled to a free trip to Europe.

MR. WATTERSON'S LECTURE.

Valuable Pointers on Money and Morals-The Former Not of Much Account Unless One Has Financial Backing-Canada a

Good Place to Go To. Hon. Henry Watterson lectured to a large and enthusiastic audience in Old City Hall last evening. He announced that "Morals and Money" was the subject upon which he would speak. He said one gentleman had remarked that he would come and hear him because he had very little of either. He hoped that the majority of his audience had not come for the same reason.

In the minds of the audience, by the words of

the speaker, North America became a living

reality whose progress in the past defied a par-allel, but whose future progress was in danger from Canada and Mexico. Canada and Mexico were used geographically, not with any in-tended or implied insuit to the great countries, who were in time destined to become members of the great Union. Canada was for tourists who were overburdened with checks, so much so that they had no time or inclination to get their baggage checks, in fact, for men who had more money then morals, it was an easy home. For men who had neither money nor morals where offered a second control of the control Mexico offered a flowery place of residence. Money was a power that no man could afford to ignore or disdain in his calculations. It is the one thing most universally used and misused, coveted and reviled. A good thing to
have plenty of, but one should be sure it is
honessity earned. He deplored the fact, however, that when men continue in the traffic of
money for an indefinite period they assume
some of the metallic qualities of the metal they
handle and their one aim becomes the trying to
rub two dollars together and make the third.

"The money question," said the speaker, "is
becoming the absorbing question of all Americans. A trade dollar hovers over the head of
everyone from the \$10,000 pulpit minister to the
man who occupies a \$190,000 seat in the Senate."
He spoke of how ready the public is to condone
the offenses of the rich and regretted that so
little of the old-fashloned distinction between
right and wrong existed in the present age.
Money is the god to which all young men of
this generation pay homage and they desire to
make a fortune before they aspire to any
honors of State, because talent without the
financial backing is not appreciated.

"At this rate," he said "how soon will it be the one thing most universally used and misinancial backing is not appreciated.

"At this rate," he said, "how soon will it be that all honor and sentiment will vanquish in the presence of the money god. There is more pleasure gained from the coinage of one kind thought than can be extracted from thousands of dollars."

thousands of dollars."

In taking an inventory or counsel of the past and present and prophesying for the future, Mr. Watterson said the nation was not threatened by the race question, although no man could foretell the outcome of it. For his part he hoped the education and elevation of both races would eventually end the strife.

REPORT OF THE CONVENTION.

Miss Willard's Confessed Position on the Political Question - She Differs From Mrs. Weeks-The Prohibition Party is Not Expected to Come Into Power.

The report of the fifteenth annual conven-tion of the W. C. T. U. of Pennsylvania, held in Philadelphia last October, has just been issued. It is a voluminous book of over 200 pages, and contains the proceedings of the convention complete. There are some suggesconvention complete. There are some suggestive, not to say amusing features about the book. There are two names among the lists of officers and superintendents of departments erased with red link. These are Mrs. C. E. Roney, Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, and Mrs. Joseph D. Weeks, Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction. The inference is that these women having joined the non-partisan faction are not to be recognized in the future in connection with

intendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction. The inference is that these women having joined the non-partisan faction are not to be recognized in the future in connection with W. C. T. U. work.

The following quotation from Miss Frances E. Willard's address at the Philadelphia Convention is timely in view of the differences. The difference is that they are the party of the party of the party of the your papers in Pennsylvania expend a great deal of printer's ink in telling you what a dreadful thing it is to go into politics, but I ask you to remember how those editors advised men to vote on the 18th of June last. They steadily dinned it in every man's ears to vote against the amendment, and I think you will be wise if you listen to them just as much this time as you did then, for in unither case do they deserve your confidence.

"We say something more against the Republican party than the Democratic, for the reason that the Republican party professes to be the party of temperance, while the other openly courts the liquor traffic. The fact is that both are national liquor parties, not because they wish to be, but because they must be, or fall to pieces. Prohibition would introduce into each one of them a disintegrating force, and they can only exist by a cohesive force. Your papers say that Sister Weeks and I are on the same side of this question.

"No two women in the nation are more widely

"No two women in the nation are more widely apart than she and I on the subject of prohibition, politically considered. There is certainly no good reason why we should not be. We have always said in the National W. C. T. U., and in all the States save Iowa and Ill that there was no political test. Women were partisan or non-partisan, Republican, Democratic, Union-Labor or Prohibition, just as they pleased. * * We do not expect the Prohibition party to come to power, but to furnish the nucleus for the great on coming party of

NO SENSATION YET.

The Audit of the National Land Longue Books Very Uneventful. DETROIT, MICH., January 30.—The uneventful manner in which the members of the auditing committee of the National Land League proceed with their labors is sufficient contradiction to all sensational rumors circulated since the call for the committee was made ublic. To day's session was devoid of general sterest, the work being confined to checking interest, the work being confined to checking off the books, which, so far, have been found in perfect order. A matter of comment is the absence of several members of the committee. It is said they declined to act, considering the committee as constituted unusual and irregular. Another incident also which has not passed without receiving its share of attention is a telegram which Thomas P. Tuite received from Luke Dillon, of Philadelphia. Mr. Tuite said this afternoon: "I did get a telegram from Luke Dillon in which he suggested that as the auditing committee had been called informally it would be better for me not to act. It was not in the nature of advice or order, but rather as a suggestion. Knowing

order, but rather as a suggestion. Knowing the conditions under which the audit was to be conducted and being fully acquainted with the facts, I deemed it my duty to act." YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEAGUE.

An Increase in Efficiency and Membership

Noted. The sixteenth quarterly meeting of the Young People's Christian League was held last night in the Butler Street M. E. Church, Henry Foisom presided, and made an address of welcome to the delegates present and to visitors who had been invited. Rev. W. H. Pearce, D. D., conducted the devotional exercises, and Prof. Jorden supervised the musical part of the programme. Rev. De Witt M. Benham delivprogramme. Nev. De with M. Denham delivered an able address on the work carried on by the young people, the good it had done everywhere, and urged them to continue with the same enthusiasm the efforts they had made in the last year in behalf of charity and exampolication.

evangelization.

The reports of the various delegates were received and approved. All of them were of an
encouraging nature, and showed an increase
in efficiency and membership in the various
branches of the league since last year. The
re-election of all of the old officers closed the
meeting.

TAKING THE BODY HOME.

Conveying the Remains of Major Gordon to

New Castle for Burial. The body of Major William Gordon, of New Castle, was brought to this city last night from Asheville, N. C., and will to-day be taken to New Castle. The body was in charge of Mr. L. Raney, a brother-in-law, and recently partner in the milling business; Mrs. William Gordon, the widow; Mr. L. R. Gordon, the son, and Miss Clingen, the stepdaughter of the deceased, Major Gordon was one of the prominent business men and politicians of Lawrence county. He served, during the war, in the One Hun, dredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was a member of the Union Veteran Leagion. By member of the Chion veterad Leaguen. By President Cleveland he was appointed Postmaster of New Castle. III health recently compelled him to go South. His death occurred last Tuesday. The funeral will be held at his old home at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

THE VESTRY MET.

Rector Maxwell's Resignation and the Shoenberger Will Discussed. The vestry of Trinity P. E. Church met last night in the chape) of the church. The meeting was held to cousider various matters in contion with the welfare of the church. There bas been no legal notification of the Shoen-berger bequest of \$100,000, and no discussion beyond an informal interchange of views was indulged in. The matter of Rector Maxwell's resignation was discussed, but no conclusion arrived at.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Robert E. Gick, although serving out a life sentence in Joliet prison, acts as the war-den's coachman and trusted messenger. -Paris sends to foreign lands annually \$500,000 worth of bon bons. In things delicate and dainty Paris always takes a hand. -Distance is continually being abridged. By the new route via British America it will be possible to go from London to Yokohama in 23

-A Wyoming Territory stage driver recently killed a wildcat weighing 100 pounds by taking off his wooden leg and using it as a

-A Crawford county man who thought last fall of erecting a costly toboggan slide, is so glad he did not do it that he banqueted a party of friends the other evening. -While sinking a well at his new sawmill near Seymour, Ind., Jesse Cox came across

some large chestnut trees 35 feet below the sur-face in a perfect state of preservation. -Henry Stillman, of Woodstock, Conn., predicted an open winter by means of the goose bone, and a local paper has just republished his letter of last September, in vindication of him and the goose bone. -The Republicans of the Eleventh Mis-

souri Congressional district petition Congress to be deprived of representation in that body. because the statutes require that all the counties of a district shall be contiguous, and there is a river dividing two of their counties. Of course, their Representative in Washington is a Democrat. -Germany is the only civilized country

in the world wherein murderers are still beeaded with an ax or sword. Just before Christmas two were executed. Having been blindfolded, they knelt down in turn before a block and the executionser severed each man's head from the body with a single blow of his broad-bladed ax. -A portrait of ex-President Cleveland is soon to be hung in the White House. The picture will cost \$5,000, and will be paid for from

money provided by Congress in the official esti-mates for the executive branch of the Govern-ment. This is the first time that such an item has been embodied in the Treasury estimates for the fiscal year. -Mr. J. W. Wilder, of Price Hill, Cincinnati, is exhibiting a bottle of pickled onions that have begun to sprout, and on which the young shoots have already attained a length

of more than an inch. The wonderful thing about these onions is that previous to being put into the bottle of vinegar and hermetically sealed they were boiled for an hour in cider vinegar. -An English warship of the first-class reently had a suggestive experience in the Channel. The belligerent vessel nearly ran foul of a derelict laden with timber. After a time the warship decided to sink the dangerous nuisance. For some hours the warship fired her heaviest guns at the derelict. The next day the timber-laden craft was found aground, not touched by a single shot.

-There need be no more Leander-like or Byronic swimming across the Bosphorus if the project contemplated by a French engineering company be taken up seriously and carried to company he taken up serious y and carried to completion. This plan promises nothing less than the construction of a colossal bridge 800 meters, or 872 yards, long over the historic and picturesque channel that flows between the shores of Europe and Asia, connecting the Sea of Marmora with the Euxine. -At Washington, a socialist club, com-

posed of workingmen, professional, literary and business men, has inaugurated a novel plan for furthering agitation of the eight-hour plan for furthering apitation of the eight-hour movement at a meeting held list evening. An "Eight Hour Dining Club" was organized, which will indulge in a banquet once a month, each plate to cost 50 cents. The members are to seat themselves at table at exactly 8 o'clock, each speech is to be exactly eight minutes long and sach member is to wear a small pln, consisting of the figure eight.

through a ventulator hole in the car, and it smoke that wreathed the opening gave evidenthat those insule the car were not suffering from the cold. Mr. Harwood said the trip we consider the considering the made easily and quite pleasantly the crowded condition of the car. -Mr. Carnegie's book, "Triumphant Democracy," is causing more trouble in the Old World. The first time a translation of the book was published in Germany, the entire edition was quietly suppressed by the authorities. Recently a new German translaauthorities. Recently's new cerman translation was published in Leipzig, and now this has been interdicted by the authorities. Meanwhile, French, Spanish and Dutch translations of the book are making their way in different parts of the world, the Spanish version being particularly popular in the Argentine Republic

and in other parts of South America. -In Germany a railway flagman at the crossing at a small station thought he had the grip when all the other employes of the road were getting leave of absence for the same cause, and applied to the company's doctor to be examined. The doctor could not spare the time to stop at such a small place, so he tele-graphed to the diagman to be standing beside the track when the train went past, with his tongue out, and he would examine him on the fig. The flagman dutifully stood with his tongue out all the time the train was slowly passing his station, and the next day the com-plants of the impertment conduct of one of its employes at that station.

mployes at that station. -In the Holy Trinity Church, in the Minories, is preserved in a glass case beneath the pulpit a human head. The vicar, the Rev. Samuel Kinns, has recently issued a book containing details about this caput mortuum. It is supposed to be that of the Duke of Suffolk, is supposed to be that of the Duke of Suffolk, father of Lady Jane Grey, who was beheaded in 1554, shortly after the execution of his daughter. There is a tradition that the executioner did not, as was usual in such cases, hold up the head of the Duke to the people, but let it simply drop into the basket, the supposition being that he was bribed to bring it secretly to the church and niace it in the vault where it was found by the Earl of Dartmouth. This story is doubted by a former vicar, who writes to say that it is more probable that "the head belongs to some unknown person of later times."

A London correspondent says that it is

-A London correspondent says that it is a mistake to suppose that the Queen's guests at Windsor Castle have any opportunity for protracted or confidential communication with Her Majesty, except such Ministers as have udiences. The visitors arrive at the castle about 7 o'clock, retire to their respective rooms and assemble in the corridors in full dress at 8:30. The Queen presently enters from her 8:30. The Queen presently enters from her private apartment, and after bowing to the commany, and perhaps speaking a few words to one or two friends, she goes into the dinning-room followed by the guests. After dinner, during which the conversation, as a matter of course, is to the last degree vapid and common-place, the company return to the corridor, and then the Queen speaks for a few minutes to each person in turn, and then bows to the circle and retires, after which the party proceed to one of the drawing-rooms for cards and music, and the men ultimately find themselves in the smoking room, which is a very comfortable apartment. Next morning the guests leave the castle after breakfast, and they depart without having again seen the Queen, who part without having again seen the Qu takes her meal alone in her own private

PUCK'S PERT POINTS.

Whipper-What do you think of young Mrs. Giddy's complexion? Snapper-I'm afraid it won't wash!

New Yorker-Did you ever notice how few irish names there are over drug stores? Great Traveler-There are plenty of them in lows and Kansas. Drafts should be avoided, particularly

sight drafts. They are had for the eyes. But if perole treatment becomes necessary, have the trace (three days) to cheque them without pro-Sick Man (in Maine)-I want something

for this cough.

Druggist-All right: I'll give you some syrup.

Slos Man-Yes, but I don't want syrup-I want I asked her on my knees to wed, Alas! Her heart is flinty— She will not share my slice of bread,

Because my name's McGinty.

-All from Puck. The Court-What is your age, madam? The Plaintiff-Must I answer?

The Court-You must.

The Plaintif-Why, Judge, I thought people
didn't have to testify against themselves!